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Method for Automatic  
Connection/Disconnection of the Binding  
Fibres within the Distributor

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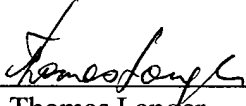
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